IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO: 3:05CV170

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THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT *sua sponte* with respect to the status of this case. There has been no activity in this case since November 2006. Furthermore, the Court has reason to believe there may have been a change in the position of one or more parties. Accordingly, the Court directs the parties to file a written report, jointly if possible, indicating the status of the case. After such report is filed, the Court may – in its discretion – choose to hold a status conference.

In addition, the Court notes that the docket sheet does not reflect that an Initial Attorneys' Conference has been held pursuant to Local Rule 16.1 and Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(f) and that such conference is long overdue.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the parties shall file a written report, jointly if possible, indicating the status of the case, on or before February 9, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall conduct an Initial Attorneys' Conference as soon as practicable, and shall a file a written report of that conference along with a proposed discovery plan on or before February 23, 2007.

Signed: January 31, 2007

David C. Keesler

United States Magistrate Judge